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 Application No. 08/938,909 )  
 Filing Date.: September 26, 1997 )  
 Title: SELF-PIERCING RIVETING METHOD )  
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**NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE FROM SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
TO LARGE ENTITY STATUS - 37 CFR 1.27(g)(2) and 37 C.F.R. 1.28(c)**

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.27(g)(2), notification is hereby provided that the subject patent is no longer entitled to small entity status.

Upon investigation, Applicants believe the following maintenance fees were erroneously paid in the amount for a small entity:

(1) 3.5 year maintenance fee - for which \$910.00 (nine hundred and ten dollars) was paid on October 13, 2003; and

(2) 7.5 year maintenance fee - for which \$1,180.00 (one thousand one hundred and eighty dollars) was paid on December 21, 2007.

(3) 11.5 year maintenance fee - for which \$2,365.00 (two thousand three hundred and sixty-five dollars) was paid on December 16, 2011.

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The deficiency believed to be owed for each payment is:

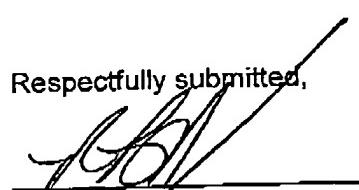
(1) \$240.00 (two hundred and forty dollars) for the 3.5 year maintenance fee, since the current fee amount for a large entity is \$1,150 (one thousand one hundred and thirty dollars); and

(2) \$1,720.00 (one thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars) for the 7.5 year maintenance fee, since the current fee amount for a large entity is \$2,900.00 (two thousand nine hundred dollars).

(3) \$2,445.00 (two thousand four hundred and forty five dollars) for the 11.5 year maintenance fee, since the current fee amount for a large entity is \$4,810 (four thousand eight hundred and ten dollars).

The total deficiency believed to be owed at this time is thus \$4,405.00 (four thousand four hundred and five dollars). In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.28(c), Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to deduct the total deficiency of \$4,405.00, as well as any other fees that may be necessary, from deposit account number 18-2284, in the name of DLA Piper LLP (US).

Respectfully submitted,



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